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Prior Application: 09/902,339

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Sir:

This is a request for filing a [] continuation [X] divisional application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) of:

Prior Application Serial No: 09/902,339 filed: July 10, 2001

of: Rudolf Beisswanger, Wolfgang Drefs, Allan Broom and Sylvain Demers

(Inventor(s) currently of record in prior application)

entitled: A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR THE TRANSFERRING OF A FLEXIBLE MATERIAL WEB

(Title of Invention)

1. [X] Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the oath or declaration as originally filed.

2. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION, LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELED BY AMENDMENT BELOW

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Basic Fee				\$375.00	_	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$750.00
Total Claims	31	- 20	11	\$9.00	-	\$18.00	\$198.00	\$198.00
Independent Claims	1	- 3	0	\$42.00	_	\$84.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims				+\$140.00	•	+\$280.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
						Total	Filing Fee:	\$948.00

- 3. A check in the amount of \$948.00 is enclosed. (Check No.10598)
- 4. [X] Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
 --This is a divisional of application Serial No. 09/902,339 filed July 10, 2001.--
- 5. [X] New informal drawings are enclosed.
- 6. [X] The prior application is assigned of record to Voith Paper Patent GmbH.
- 7. [] A new combined declaration and power of attorney is enclosed.

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- 8. [X] A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)
- 9. [X] I have reviewed the attached specification and drawings and have determined that no new matter is present therein over prior application Serial No. 09/902,339, filed on July 10, 2001.
- 10. [X] Incorporation by Reference: The entire disclosure of the parent application listed herein, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered to be part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
- 11. [X] The Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees or credit any overpayment associated with this

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RE:

Application for United States Letters Patent

APPLICANT: Rudolf Beisswanger et al.

TITLE OF INVENTION: A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR THE

TRANSFERRING OF A FLEXIBLE MATERIAL WEB

Sir:

Forwarded herewith is the above-identified application, consisting of the following:

Specification (11 Sheets)

Claims (9 Sheets)

Abstract

Drawings (3 Sheets)

Declaration X Executed _ Unexecuted

Assignment _ Yes X No

Information Disclosure Statement X Yes No

Preliminary Amendment

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